

REMARKS

Applicant, through his attorney, gratefully acknowledges the courtesy of a personal interview that was extended by Patent Examiner Gary Estremsky on February 17, 2005.

During the course of the aforementioned interview, the focus of the discussions revolved around amended independent claims 1 and 17, as well as, new independent claim 23 and the preamble of those claims have now been further modified to stipulate that the door stop and holder apparatus are specifically designed "for use in combination with a door."

This most recent modification of the claim language is specifically intended to not only more clearly define the applicant's claimed invention, but further, to render the Bellamy, Wright and, Iverson references as non-analogous structures.

In addition, subsequent to the interview, it was realized that it was necessary to cancel additional claims from the proposed amendment (specifically claims 13 through 16 and 18 through 21) to comply with the Examiner's original indication of allowable subject matter.

Based on the foregoing situation, it is sincerely believed that the claims as now presented clearly define patentable subject matter; and, a formal Notice of Allowance based thereon is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,
John Stelmach, Applicant

By



William H. Wright
Reg. No. 26,424

Dated: 2/18/05

STURM & FIX, LLP
2308 Mt. Vernon Avenue, Ste. 806
Alexandria, VA 22301

(703) 920-0313